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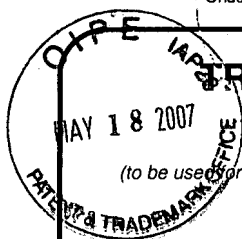
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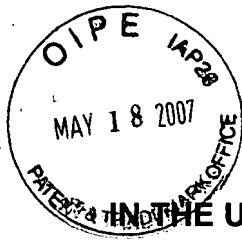
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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTIONS REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed April 18, 2007, Applicants provisionally elect species 1 from Group I, species 6 from Group II, and species 29 from Group IV. With respect to species 1 from Group I, claims 55 and 56 are believed to read on the elected species. With respect to species 6 from Group II, claims 57 and 58 are believed to read on the elected species. With respect to species 29 from Group IV, claims 21, 22, 65 and 66 are believed to read on the elected species. In addition, claims 19, 20, 26, 27, 28, 30, 32, 33, 34, 48, 49, and 52 are believed to read on each of species 1, species 6, and species 29.


The Examiner is requested to reconsider the Election/Restrictions Requirement because all of the species are drawn to related subject matter, such that an undue

burden would not be placed upon the Examiner by maintaining all of the species in a single application. (see, e.g., MPEP § 803).

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